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Saskatchewan Police Commission

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LETTERS OF TRANSMITTAL

Her Honour
The Honourable Dr. Lynda M. Haverstock
Lieutenant Governor of the Province of Saskatchewan
Government House
4607 Dewdney Avenue
Regina, Saskatchewan S4P 3V7

Dear Madam:

The undersigned, pursuant to section 15 of *The Police Act, 1990*, is pleased to present the Saskatchewan Police Commission Annual Report for the period of April 1st, 2002 to March 31st, 2003.

Eric Cline, Q.C.
Minister of Justice and Attorney General

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Honourable Eric Cline, Q.C.
Minister of Justice and Attorney General
Province of Saskatchewan
Legislative Building
Regina, Saskatchewan
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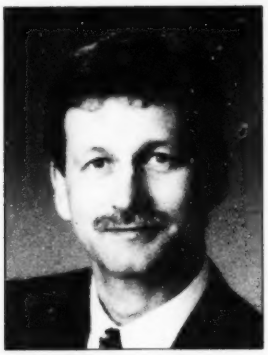
Michael Tochor
Chairperson

Saskatchewan Police Commission - Appointed Members



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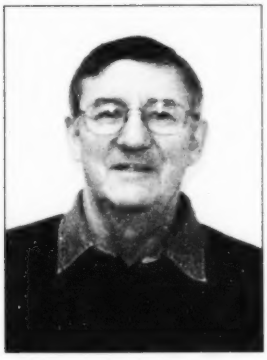

Frank Flegel
Member

Bernice Sayese
Member

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Member

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John H. Baker
Executive Director

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Director

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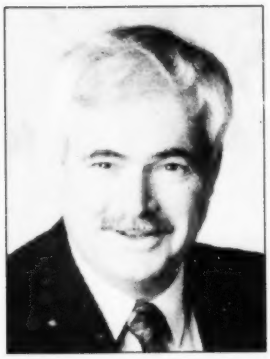
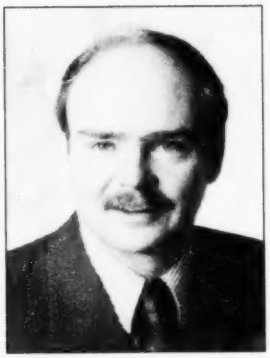


Kent Brunskill
Director



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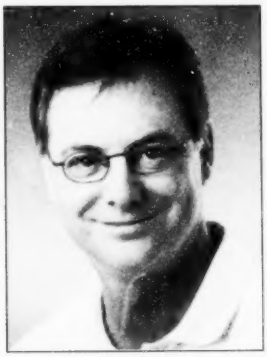

Marvin Arp
Training Officer

Role of the Commission

The primary function of the Saskatchewan Police Commission as outlined in *The Police Act, 1990*, section 19 is to promote adequate and effective policing throughout the province and the preservation of peace, prevention of crime, efficiency of police service and the improvement of police relationships with communities within Saskatchewan.

Section 12 authorizes the Commission to make regulations on various matters that will upgrade police services generally through training and standardization.

The Commission may conduct audits and reviews as well as provide information to Boards of Police Commissioners.

The Commission as an appellate body may review the suspension from duty of a police member or chief of police. The Commission also may hear appeals of a decision of a hearing officer.

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POLICE SERVICES

The municipal police services operating within the scope of *The Police Act, 1990* as of March 31, 2003 are:

CITIES	SWORN OFFICERS	TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT	POPULATION	POLICE RATIO POPULATION
REGINA	338	478	178,225	1/527
SASKATOON	348	479	196,811	1/565.5
MOOSE JAW	58	80	32,131	1/553.9
PRINCE ALBERT	70	104	34,291	1/489.9
ESTEVAN	20	30	10,242	1/512.1
WEYBURN	19	24	9,534	1/501.8

TOWNS & VILLAGES	SWORN OFFICERS	TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT	POPULATION	POLICE RATIO POPULATION
CARONPORT	1	1	1,040	1/1,040
DALMENY	2	2	1,610	1/805
LUSELAND	1.5	2.5	602	1/401.3
STOUGHTON	1	1	720	1/720

RURAL MUNICIPALITIES	SWORN OFFICERS	TOTAL ESTABLISHMENT	POPULATION	POLICE RATIO POPULATION
CORMAN PARK #344	5	8	8,093	1/1618.6
VANSCOY #345	1	1	2,617	1/2,617

All other cities, towns and villages in the province with a population over 500 are policed by contract with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police.

*Total includes civilian support personnel.

Royal Canadian Mounted Police

On January 1, 1999, the Government of Saskatchewan implemented a new RCMP Police Cost Redistribution Program to recover the cost of providing policing. Urban and Rural communities who participated in the program were charged per capita rates that varied from $15.61 per capita to $99.00 per capita.

The plan was recommended to Government by a task force consisting of municipal and urban officials from the Saskatchewan Association of Rural Municipalities and the Saskatchewan Urban Municipalities Association and representative from Saskatchewan Justice.

The rates are reviewed on an annual basis by the task force who make recommendations for charges to the Department. In 2002, the rates charged to urban and rural communities was $57.00 per capita at the top of the range and $20.00 at the bottom of the range.

Municipal Contracts

In addition to acting as the Provincial police service for Saskatchewan, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police is contracted through an agreement between the municipality and the Federal Government to provide municipal police to four Saskatchewan cities.

1. Swift Current
2. Yorkton
3. Battleford
4. Lloydminster

Use of Firearms by Municipal Police During Course of Duty

Calendar Year 2002

Regina Police Service
In two separate incidents, two police officers accidentally discharged one shot each, no one was injured in either incident.

Saskatoon Police Service
On two separate incidents, self-inflicted mortal wound were administered by individuals. In ten separate incidents, police officers used their firearms to destroy injured animals.

Prince Albert Police Service
In one incident, one police officer fired one shot to destroy an injured animal.

Corman Park Police Service
In three incidents, three police officers fired shots to destroy injured animals.

Use of Firearms by Royal Canadian Mounted Police During Course of Duty

Calendar Year 2001

The RCMP report that on one incident, three suspects entered Saskatchewan following a shooting of an officer in Manitoba. The occupants stole other vehicles, discarding them as they continued on in central Saskatchewan. An officer fired a shot killing one suspect, after observing a rifle being pointed at a fellow officer. The shooting/stealing of auto spree ended, and the 2 other suspects from the vehicle surrendered. The suspects fired 3 shots from shotguns or high powered rifles during the pursuit, and the police fired once during the final encounter from a service rifle.

ACTIVITIES OF THE COMMISSION

Meetings

The Saskatchewan Police Commission held four meetings and dealt with numerous issues via regular email in 2002/2003.

Two Provincial Training Board meetings were held.

The Commission, in its role of operating the Saskatchewan Police College and of promoting efficiency, improving police relations in the community and consulting with and making recommendations to Boards of Police Commissioners and Chiefs of Police, places considerable emphasis on race relations and cross-cultural training. The changing demographics of Saskatchewan's population requires police services be representative of the cultural mix of its citizens. In Saskatchewan the emerging challenge is to have greater representation at all levels of policing of aboriginal citizens. To this end the Commission will continue to place great importance on this issue.

Visits

The Director of the Saskatchewan Police Commission Services and the Director of the Saskatchewan Police College continue to make on-site contact with police services around the province on work related matters and informal visits to ensure two-way communication is ongoing between the Commission, Boards and the police community.

Canadian Police College

The Commission acts in a co-ordinating role between the police services and the Canadian Police College in the allocation of spaces for courses and the attendance of the various officers. In the 2002 - 2003 fiscal year, candidates from the following police services attended the Canadian Police College:

Police Services	Candidates
Regina	22
Saskatoon	19
Moose Jaw	6
Prince Albert	7
Estevan	1
Weyburn	0

Appeals to the Commission

There were no appeals on a discipline matter during this reporting period.

Commission Budgets

Fiscal Year	Commission Administration	Sask. Police College	Total
2002/03	$162,339.95	$598,620.89	$760,960.84
2001/02	$187,763.72	$538,304.58	$726,068.30
2000/01	$184,894.00	$533,106.00	$718,000.00
1999/00	$182,952.00	$431,048.00	$614,000.00
1998/99	$182,072.00	$511,128.00*	$693,200.00
1997/98	$182,072.00	$417,928.00	$600,000.00
1996/97	$180,072.00	$417,928.00	$598,000.00
1995/96	$181,890.00	$414,110.00	$596,000.00
1994/95	$190,890.00	$414,110.00	$605,000.00
1993/94	$182,890.00	$414,110.00	$597,000.00
1992/93	$279,060.00	$318,340.00	$597,400.00
1991/92	$194,360.00	$318,340.00	$512,700.00
1990/91	$252,500.00	$369,610.00	$689,400.00

* Includes Special Warrants funding for recruit training.

The Commission, in response to its changed mandate brought on by changes to *The Police Act, 1990* continues to place emphasis on training. To this end the Saskatchewan Police College continues to deliver training at the highest level and is ranked among the top police training facilities in Canada. A focus of consistent review of appeals of discipline and suspension as well as review and audits of police services continues to be of importance to the Commission.

SASKATCHEWAN POLICE COLLEGE

Police Training

The Saskatchewan Police College, with offices and classrooms located at the University of Regina, is under the authority and control of the Saskatchewan Police Commission by virtue of *The Saskatchewan Police Act, 1990.*

The Mission of the Saskatchewan Police College is to collaborate with Saskatchewan Municipal Police Agencies and their memberships to provide:

- The people of Saskatchewan with a professional policing service cognizant of cultural diversity, current police methodology and community expectations.
- A Systematic Approach to Training Research, Design and Delivery.
- Basic Recruit Training.
- Ongoing in-service training and education to enhance and compliment personal career development.
- Specialized investigative techniques.
- Ongoing evaluation of current trends and technology which impact police responses.

Courses are offered for all levels of personnel from recruit to management and offered regularly for 'Recruits', 'Operational Investigators', 'Senior Constable's Development', 'Introduction to Management', 'Police Manager's', 'Effective Presentations', 'Cultural Relations', 'Fire Investigation' and 'Drug Investigation'. Other courses and seminars are offered as identified through a systematic needs analysis process.

In the Fall of 2002, the Saskatchewan municipal police agencies identified the need for two recruit classes. In order to accommodate two recruit training classes in the Fall of 2002, all in-service training courses with the exception of two were deleted from September to the end of December. A great deal of planning took place with the RCMP, Department of Justice, Social Services and Court Services to prepare for the implementation of the *Youth Criminal Justice Act* effective April 1, 2003. In the Winter of 2003, ten 2-day courses took place from February 12, 2003 - March 13, 2003 to train police officers both from the RCMP and the municipal agencies within the province. A total of 96 municipal police officers were trained during this time period in the application of the new *Youth Criminal Justice Act.* In addition to this training, a one-day multi-sectoral training took place through the Saskatchewan Communications Network at a number of sites throughout the Province of Saskatchewan. Thirty municipal police officers participated in this one day interactive training through SCN.

A new joint initiative between the Saskatchewan Police College and RCMP "F" Division Training Section was initiated to jointly train both RCMP and municipal police officers on the "Commercial Crime Course". This course took place between February 17 - 28, 2003 and allowed both agencies to meet their training needs without delivering the course independently.

Another new initiative was a joint venture between the Department of Justice, the Saskatchewan Police Commission and the Saskatchewan Police College in presenting a Child Exploitation Seminar from May 6 - 8, 2002. This initiative allowed many police officers throughout the province including the RCMP and officers from Vancouver to exchange ideas and enforcement tactics in relation to child exploitation. New legislation was also passed in the province dealing with child exploitation including the seizure of "johns" cars.

Staff instructors at the Police College were sponsored at several special training initiatives throughout Canada to keep them abreast of current trends. The College recognizes that in order to deliver programs which impact and enhance police officer's knowledge and skills, the instructors must continually be trained and informed. The College continues to co-sponsor individual police officers in specialized areas of police investigation. We continue to promote co-operation and partnerships between police and other agencies such as Social Services, medical personnel and various components of the justice

system in enhancing the outcomes of joint investigations.

Police College staff provided many hours of consultation, research and program development to other police agencies and local government departments.

A total of 392 candidates were trained in house while another 108 were trained through joint partnerships with the RCMP. An additional 3 candidates were sent away for training outside the province and 30 were trained through the Saskatchewan Communications Network on the *Youth Criminal Justice Act*. A total of 521 candidates were trained during the fiscal year. The candidates represented Municipal Police Services, RCMP, CN and CP Police Service, Medicine Hat Police Service, Saskatchewan Environment Resource Management and Saskatchewan Justice. Several other outside police agencies took advantage of some of these specialized courses.

Recruit Training

Recruit Training involves 17 weeks at the Saskatchewan Police College followed by three to six months of practical field training with a selected field training officer.

Recruit Training Class #44 and #45 was held from August 19, 2002, to December 13, 2002, with an enrollment of 45 police officers; 20 from Regina Police Service, 13 from Saskatoon Police Service, 2 from Moose Jaw Police Service, 8 from Prince Albert Police Service and 2 from the Medicine Hat Police Service.

Recruit Training Class #46 was held from January 6, 2003 to May 2, 2003, with an enrollment of 30 police officers; 11 from Regina Police Service, 16 from Saskatoon Police Service, 1 from Prince Albert Police Service and 2 from Medicine Hat Police Service.

The Course Co-ordinator for Recruit Training Classes #44, #45, and #46 was Marvin Arp, Training Officer, Saskatchewan Police College and he was assisted during classes #44 and #45 by Cpl. Darcy Koch, seconded from the Regina Police Service.

The topics taught for Recruit Classes #44, #45, and #46, including training time per recruit, were:

- Communication Skills 26.75
  (includes 17.5 hours of Cultural Relations)
- Criminal Justice 30.00
- Criminal Law 46.75
- Crisis Intervention 24.00
- Federal Statutes 19.25
- Force Options 173.75
  (includes Defense and Control, Firearms Training, and Public & Officer Safety Training)
- General 43.75
  (previously called miscellaneous - includes 21.25 hrs. a.m. recruit briefing)
- Human Behaviour 24.50
- Personal Development 42.25
- Police Procedures 153.75
- Provincial Statutes 19.50

Total Hours of Instruction per recruit 602.5 hrs
(Excludes remedial Firearms Training and fitness programs outside scheduled classroom hours.)

Actual Hours of Instruction 757 hrs

Actual hours of instruction are based on recruit training that is done as an intact group and training that is done in smaller groups when a lower recruit to instructor ratio is necessary. Most of the classroom instruction is presented to the whole class; however, classes are divided into two or three groups for scenario training, traffic control, and Public & Officer Safety Training. During #44 and #45 several of the larger subject topics such as Human Behaviour, Criminal Law and Criminal Justice were combined between the two classes.

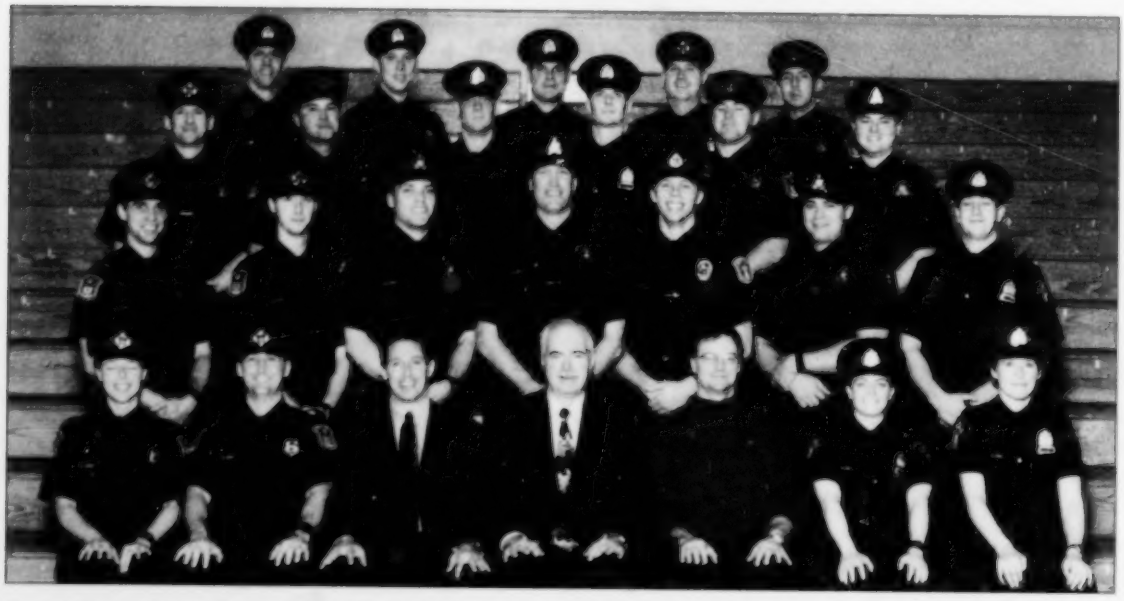
Recruit Training Class #44

August 19, 2002 - December 13, 2002

Fourth Row (left to right): Cst. Garth Fleece, Cst. Chris Tunison, Cst. Tyson Morash, Cst. Steven Wyatt, and Cst. Juan Serrano.
Third Row (left to right): Cst. Clint Rudderham, Cst. Wesley Peters, Cst. Joel Bautista, Cst. Trenton Struble, Cst. Shawn Davis, and Cst. Pierre Beauchesne.
Second Row (left to right): Cst. Ross Kauk, Cst. Troy Emery, Cst. Travis Jordan, Cst. Timothy Berg, Cst. Tyler Chester, Cst. Mark McCormick, Cst. Kurtis Brown, and Cst. Jeffrey Oshanyk
Front Row (left to right): Cst. Darryl Blampied, Cst. Shannon Murray, Cpl. Darcy Koch (Assistant Co-ordinator), Kent Brunskill (Director), Marvin Arp (Training Officer), Cst. Joel Hedlin, and Cst. Nicole Doetzel.

Recruit Training Class #45

August 19, 2002 - December 13, 2002



Fourth Row (left to right): Cst. Vincent Gabruch, Cst. Frederick Siemens, Cst. Kelsey Yurach, Cst. James Monaghan, and Cst. Robet MacLean.
Third Row (left to right): Cst. Darryl Gottselig, Cst. Darren Finkeldey, Cst Paul Taylor, Cst. Chad Wyatt Nolan, Cst Justin Duck, and Cst. Ryan Timothy Levesque.
Second Row (left to right): Cst. Thomas Howell, Cst. Joshua Potter, Cst. Dallas Stender, Cst. Kim Issel, Cst. Colin Boyenko, Cst. Brandon Murdry, and Cst. Ryan Beerling.
Front Row (left to right): Cst. Erin Toderan, Cst. Kelly Shumay, Cpl. Darcy Koch (Assistant Co-ordinator), Kent Brunskill (Director), Marvin Arp (Training Officer), Cst. Lynnette April, and Cst. Tony Dewar.

Recruit Training Class No. 46

January 6, 2003 - May 2, 2003

Third Row (left to right): Cst. Scott Yuzik, Cst. Dale Temple, Cst. Donna Boehm, Cst. Chris Wyrostok, Cst. Travis Funk, Cst. Dennis Hudec, Cst. Joel LaLonde, Cst. William Schmidt, Cst. Derek Lea, and Cst. Peter Dennis.
Second Row (left to right): Cst. Michael Johnson, Cst. Robbie Taylor, Cst. Mark Koch, Cst. Ryan Dureau, Cst. Sean Slater, Cst. Eric Flogan, Cst Michael Onodi, Cst. Richard Bueckert, Cst. Troy Ostapiw, Cst. Kevin Breitkreuz, and Cst. Erin Tisdel.
Front Row (left to right): Cst. Amber Lang, Cst. Lisa Gurski, Cst. Henry Ly, Cst. Taya Klath, Cst. Melissa Boxall, Marvin Arp (Training Officer), Kent Brunskill (Director), Cst. Sheri Wild, Cst Travis Willie, Cst Tia Froh, and Cst. Melinda Lalach.

Police Manager's Course #15

February 3 - 14, 2003 (Part I), March 24 - 28, 2003 (Part II)

Back Row (left to right): Sgt. Brian Shalovelo, Sgt. Grant Little, Sgt. Mark Chatterbok, Sgt. Brian Benz, Sgt. Robert Hinchcliffe, Sgt. Ken Hunter, Sgt. Mike Robinson, Cpl. Cliff Froehlich, S/Sgt. John Verge and S/Sgt. Brian Bonkowski.
Front Row (left to right): Sgt. Gord Bueckert, Cst. Ainsworth Myers, Sgt. Ronald Buddecke, Mr. Lonnie Dynna, Ms. Stephanie Mansfield, Sgt. Steve Knutson, S/Sgt. Murray Roe, Sgt. Ralph Ehrlich and Sgt. Brent Schmidt.

In-Service Training 2002/2003

Coaching Skills for Field Training Officers Course #5 was held April 22 - 26, 2002, with 24 candidates attending from Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Regina and Saskatoon Police Services.

Child Exploitation Seminar #1 was held May 6, 7 & 8, 2002, with 44 candidates attending from Estevan, Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Regina, Saskatoon and Weyburn Police Services and RCMP members from Lloydminster, North Battleford, Prince Albert, Regina, Swift Current and Yorkton Detachments. Several Justice personnel and instructors from out of the province participated for the entire course.

Fire Investigation Course Phase 1 was held May 13 - 17, 2002, with 25 candidates attending from Estevan, Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Regina, Saskatoon and Weyburn Police Services along with RCMP from Fort Qu'Appelle, Kerrobert, Lloydminster, Naicam, Saskatoon, Southey, Spiritwood, Watrous and Yorkton Detachments. Fire Services attending from Balgonie, Estevan, Melville, Tisdale and one officer from the Fire Commissioners Office.

Firearms Instructors Course #8 was held September 23 - 27, 2002, with 20 candidates attending from Estevan, Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Regina, Saskatoon and Weyburn Police Services.

Coaching Skills for Field Training Officers Course #6 was held November 4 - 8, 2002, with 25 candidates attending from Prince Albert, Regina, and Saskatoon Police Services.

Operational Investigator s Course #33 was held January 6 - 7, 2003, with 26 candidates attending from Corman Park, Estevan, File Hills, Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Regina and Saskatoon Police Services.

Drug Investigation Course #22 was held January 22 - 24, 2003, with 24 candidates attending from Dalmeny, Estevan, File Hills, Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Regina, Saskatoon and Weyburn Police Services.

Cultural Relations Course #24 was held January 27 - 31, 2003, with 24 candidates attending from Dalmeny, Estevan, File Hills, Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Regina, Saskatoon, and Weyburn Police Services. One member from the Department of Justice also attended.

Police Manager s Course #15 was held February 17 - 28, 2003, (Part I), and March 24 -28, 2003, (Part II), with 18 candidates attending from Corman Park, Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Regina and Saskatoon Police Services.

Commercial Crime Course #1 was held February 17 - 28, 2003, with 12 candidates attending from Estevan, Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Regina and Saskatoon Police Services.

Statement Analysis Course #12 was held February 25 - 26, 2003, with 23 candidates attending from Dalmeny, Estevan, File Hills, Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Regina, and Saskatoon Police Service.

Effective Presentations Course #38 was held February 17 - 21, 2003, with 16 candidates attending from File Hills, Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Regina and Saskatoon Police Services.

Introduction to Management Course #33 was held from March 3 - 7, 2003, with 24 candidates attending from Estevan, Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Regina, Saskatoon and Weyburn Police Services.

Firearms Instructor s Recertification Course #10 was held March 31, 2003 - April 1, 2003, with 12 candidates attending from Estevan, Moose Jaw, Regina and Saskatoon Police Services.

Youth Criminal Justice Act Ten courses were held from February 12, 2003 - March 13, 2003, with 96 candidates attending from Caronport, Corman Park, Dalmeny, Estevan, Luseland, Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Regina, Saskatoon, Weyburn and Vanscoy Police Services.

Youth Criminal Justice Act Multi-sectoral Training was held on March 25, 2003, through the Saskatchewan Communications Network, with 30 candidates attending from Corman Park, Dalmeny, Estevan, File Hills, Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Regina, Saskatoon, Stoughton, Weyburn and Vanscoy Police Services.

ADVANCED POLICE TRAINING

Coaching Skills for Field Training Officers Course #5	24 candidates
Child Exploitation Seminar #1	44 candidates
Fire Investigation Course Phase 1	25 candidates
Recruit Training Class #44	23 candidates
Recruit Training Class #45	22 candidates
Firearms Instructors Course #8	20 candidates
Coaching Skills for Field Training Officers Course #6	25 candidates
Operational Investigator's Course #33	26 candidates
Recruit Training Class #46	30 candidates
Drug Investigation Course #22	24 candidates
Cultural Relations Course #24	24 candidates
Police Manager's Course #15	18 candidates
Commercial Crime Course #1	12 candidates
Statement Analysis Course #12	23 candidates
Effective Presentations Course #38	16 candidates
Introduction to Management Course #33	24 candidates
Firearms Instructor's Recertification Course #10	12 candidates
Youth Criminal Justice Act (Two Day Course Training)	96 candidates
Youth Criminal Justice Act (Multi-sectoral Training)	30 candidates
Undercover Techniques Course	1 candidate
KOGA Arrest and Control Techniques	1 candidates
Canadian Association of Police Educator's Course	1 candidates
Total Candidates Trained for the Fiscal Year	**521 candidates**